

Exhibit A

Biographical Information for Jerry Newson

Jerry Newson was born on September 25, 1961. He was a 1979 graduate of Hughes High School in Hughes, Arkansas. In 1984, he graduated from Tennessee State University in Nashville. A member of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, Jerry was active in Sunday school and Christian fellowship groups.

In 1988, Jerry became an employee of the Davidson County Sheriff's Office where he served as a correctional officer, correctional supervisor, and warrant officer. He was actively involved in Sheriff's Office sports and was particularly fond of basketball. Because of his never-ending steadiness in all facets of his life, he earned the nickname of "The Rock" from fellow DCSO employees.

On Friday, September 22, Jerry went to assist a fellow officer with the service of a civil warrant. It was on this date he was shot and killed in the line of duty. Many family members including two children survived him.